

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY
WASHINGTON

July 8, 1930

Captain Will C. Barnes,
Secretary, United States Geographic Board,
Library of Congress,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Captain Barnes:

Replying to your letter of July 3, 1930, with
reference to the name Toyabe:

In our records this name is spelled Toiyabe, and
it is to be assumed that this spelling was the one which,
without any extensive investigation, the field engineer
who adopted it for his purpose found in general use locally.

I have no feeling about the matter one way or
another. I think the board will wage a losing fight when
it attempts to simplify the spelling of names which have
long been in local use, and that on the whole in this
case it might be just as well to revert to the original
spelling, particularly as that spelling has been used in
a Presidential Proclamation.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "R. S. Patton".

Director